

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 1438  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L LIBREVILLE 2076

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINT, PEPR, GB, DM  
SUBJECT: REQUEST TO TRANSPORT BENINESE

1. THREE MINUTES AFTER TELECON WITH AF/C THIS AFTERNOON, I RECEIVED CALL FROM FONMIN MARTIN BONGO, WHOM I THOUGH WAS IN BELGRADE. PURPOSE OF CALL WAS TO ASK US FOR ASSISTANCE IN TRANSPORTING BENINESE AWAY FROM LIBREVILLE. I TOLD HIM I WOULD WANT TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH HIM IN MORE DETAIL AND WOULD IN ANY CASE HAVE TO REFER MATTER TO DEPARTMENT. I THEREFORE HAVE DATE TO SEE HIM AT 0900 LOCAL TOMORROW MORNING JULY 29.

2. MEETING WILL GIVE ME OPPORTUNITY TO TELL HIM, INSTEAD OF PRESIDENT, OF OUR HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS, BUT IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL BE ABLE GIVE HIM SOME PRELIMINARY DEPARTMENT REACTION. HIS RESPONSE TO OUR CONCERN RE HUMAN REIGHTS, FOR EXAMPLE, MAY VERY WELL BE THAT IT IS PRECISELY THAT WHICH NOW CONCERNS GABONESE, HENCE THEIR REQUEST. THUS, BIZARRE AS IDEA SOUNDS, USG ASSISTANCE COULD HELP AVOID NASTY HUMAN PROBLEM. ON OTHER HAND, OF COURSE, IT WOULD DIRECTLY INVOLVE US. I FEAR GABONESE MAY HAVE BEEN TOO IMPRESSED BY RECENT SHABA AIRLIFT.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: IN ANY EVENT, REQUEST DEPT REPLY NIACT IMMEDIATE, EVEN IF DEPARTMENT WISHES REFRAIN FROM COMMENTING UNTIL WE HEAR MORE ABOUT GOG PROPOSAL. TIENKEN

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